

REMARKS

This Application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action mailed June 23, 2005. Applicant appreciates the Examiner's consideration of the Application. Claims 1 and 16 have been amended to clarify, more particularly point out, and more distinctly claim inventive concepts previously present in these claims. Certain amendments are not considered necessary for patentability, and no new matter has been added by the amendments to the claims. In order to advance prosecution of this Application, Applicant has responded to each notation by the Examiner. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and favorable action in this case.

Section 112 Rejection

Claims 1 and 16 are amended in accordance with the requirement of the Examiner to correct informalities. Applicant thanks the Examiner for pointing out the informalities. The amended claims particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter the Applicant regards as the invention, and thus are allowable under 35 U.S.C. § 112. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of independent Claims 1 and 16 and all claims that depend on these claims.

Allowed Claim

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's allowance of Claim 24.

CONCLUSION

Applicant has made an earnest attempt to place this case in condition for allowance. For at least the foregoing reasons, Applicant respectfully requests full allowance of all the pending claims.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would advance prosecution of this case in any way, the Examiner is invited to contact Keiko Ichiye, the Attorney for Applicant, at the Examiner's convenience at (214) 953-6494.

Although Applicant believes no fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

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